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An act to add Section 97.27 to the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to local government finance, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 215, as introduced, Dunn. Property tax revenue allocations: property tax revenue shifts: single-county transit districts.

Existing law requires the county auditor, in each fiscal year, to allocate property tax revenues to local jurisdictions in accordance with specified formulas and procedures, and generally requires that each jurisdiction be allocated an amount equal to the total of the amount of revenue allocated to that jurisdiction in the prior fiscal year, subject to certain modifications, and that jurisdiction's portion of the annual tax increment, as defined. Existing property tax law modifies these provisions by requiring that, for purposes of determining property tax revenue allocations in each county for the 1992–93 fiscal year, the amounts of property tax



revenue deemed allocated in the prior fiscal year to special districts, including single-county transit districts, be reduced in accordance with a specified percentage. It requires that the revenues not allocated to the special districts as a result of these reductions be transferred to the Educational Revenue Augmentation Fund in that county for allocation to school districts, community college districts, and the county office of education.

This bill would, as provided, for the 1999–2000 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, exclude single-county transit districts from these reduction and transfer provisions.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature in enacting the bill’s provisions.

This bill would appropriate an unspecified sum from the General Fund to the Department of Finance for allocation to community college districts for the reimbursement of revenue losses incurred by those districts in the 1999–2000 fiscal year as a result of this bill.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately, as an urgency statute.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 97.27 is added to the Revenue
2 and Taxation Code, to read:

3 97.27. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision
4 of this article, commencing with the 1999–2000 fiscal year,
5 the auditor shall allocate ad valorem property tax
6 revenues to a transit district, that is located entirely
7 within a single county, in those amounts that would be
8 determined if no reduction had been made with respect
9 to that district pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 97.2
10 for the 1992–93 fiscal year.

11 (2) For purposes of the allocation of ad valorem
12 property tax revenues in the 1999–2000 fiscal year and
13 each fiscal year thereafter, the implementation of
14 paragraph (1) shall not require any increase in the

1 amount of the reduction calculated for any local agency
2 for the 1992–93 fiscal year pursuant to Section 97.2.

3 (b) It is the intent of the Legislature in enacting this
4 section to ensure that each transit district, whether
5 located within multiple counties or entirely within a
6 single county, is treated equally in the allocation of those
7 revenues essential to the preservation of adequate and
8 quality public services.

9 SEC. 2. The sum of ____ dollars (\$ ____) is
10 hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the
11 Department of Finance for allocation to community
12 college districts to reimburse those districts for any
13 revenue losses incurred by those districts for the
14 1999–2000 fiscal year as a result of this act. If the total
15 amount of losses subject to reimbursement under this
16 section is less than ____ dollars (\$ ____), the
17 Department of Finance shall, after making all required
18 reimbursements, transfer the excess of ____ dollars (\$
19 ____) over the total amount of those reimbursements
20 to the Treasurer, for deposit into the General Fund.

21 SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the
22 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or
23 safety within the meaning of Article IV of the
24 Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts
25 constituting the necessity are:

26 In order to provide timely and essential funding for
27 transit districts, located throughout the state, that are
28 suffering from severe funding shortages to the detriment
29 of basic levels of public transportation services, it is
30 necessary that this act take effect immediately.

